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Department of Commerce and Labor

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Washington

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
"COMMISSIONER OF FISHERIES,
WASHINGTON, D. C."

December 15, 1910.

Mr. James Thompson,
Skowl Arm Saltery,
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Sir:

Your report of salmon operations for the year 1910 has been received. In this you report packing 170 barrels ^{Pink and} of dog salmon bellies and 300 barrels of humpback salmon ^{whole} bellies. No mention is made of the backs cut from these salmon being put to any commercial use, and the Bureau would be pleased to receive a statement from you showing what you did with them.

Respectfully,

John S. Smith

Acting Commissioner.

Dear Sir if I said 300 hundred humpback Bellies, I made a mistake, it I have 170 barrels of Bellies humpback & dogs, and 300 of whole humpback Salmon. I sold the backs to John. Clausen for \$2.00. two dollars a thousand. he took care of them and salted them down. for Halibut Bait. he gets two dollars per 200#. I can get you a sworn statement from Mr. Clausen in regard to the backs if you wish
Respectfully James Thompson